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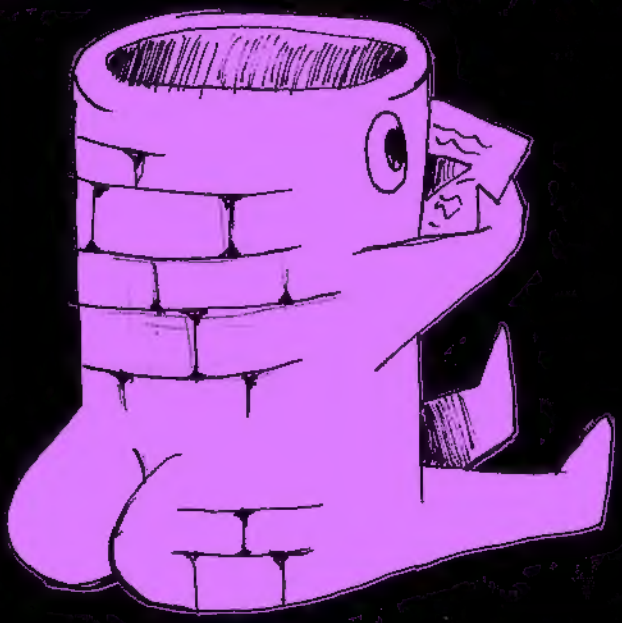

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A well is a mgaical and mysterious thing. You can get water out of it, you can throw coins into it, you can fall into it and become trapped... The possibilities are endelss. If you are falling into a well you have to hope that the bottom of the well is close very or that it is infinitely far away. Most wells have water in them, but the wells in the movie Lassie and The Ring do not. Those are the ones you have to watch out for.

I'm not sure what makes a well dry up. When there is water in a well it seems like it goes on forever, that there is no bottom. An endless supply of water from the earth. Where does the water come from? And how do you get it back when it is gone? The well is a metaphor for the creative process.

Everytime you are making a piece of art or drawing a page for the Night Drawer you are drawing from your own person well of creativiy Most of the tiem you can just keep on drawing from the well forever... But sometimes for some reason it gets hard. You start scraping the bottom, you can even get stuck there. How do you get out?

That's what this zine is about. As usual you will find more questions than answers in the pages ahead. Everything you're about to see was drawn in a single Night at Le Voyeur. We meet every week at 7p,m on Sundays. A propmt is selected and everyone who makes a page inspired byt the prompt gets in the zine... That could be you!. So turn the page and join the rest of the Night Drawers at the bottom of the well.

WATER AIR BRICKS AND MORTAR... AND A FORTUNE COOKIE...

BOTTOM OF

The Wishing well

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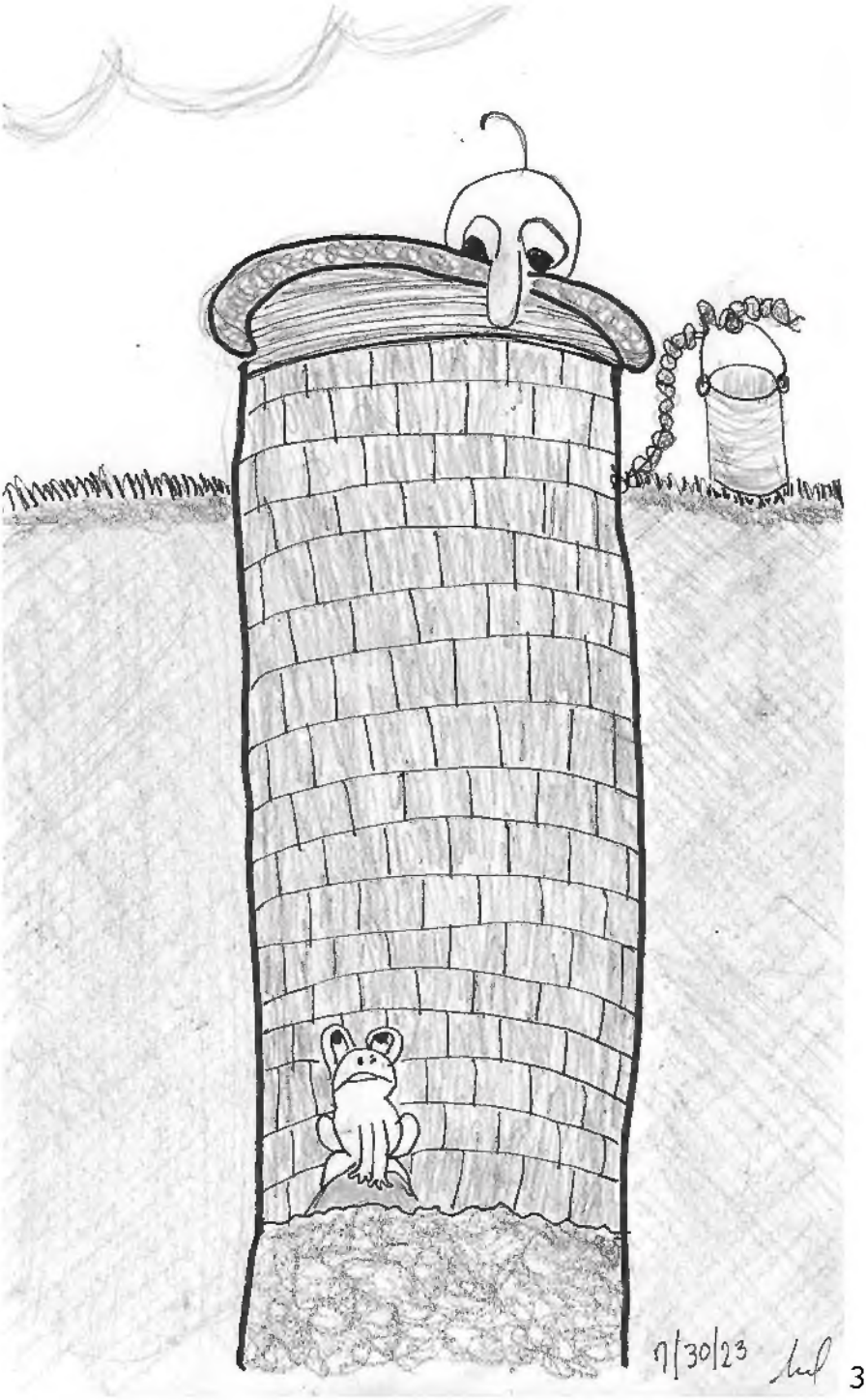
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Bottom
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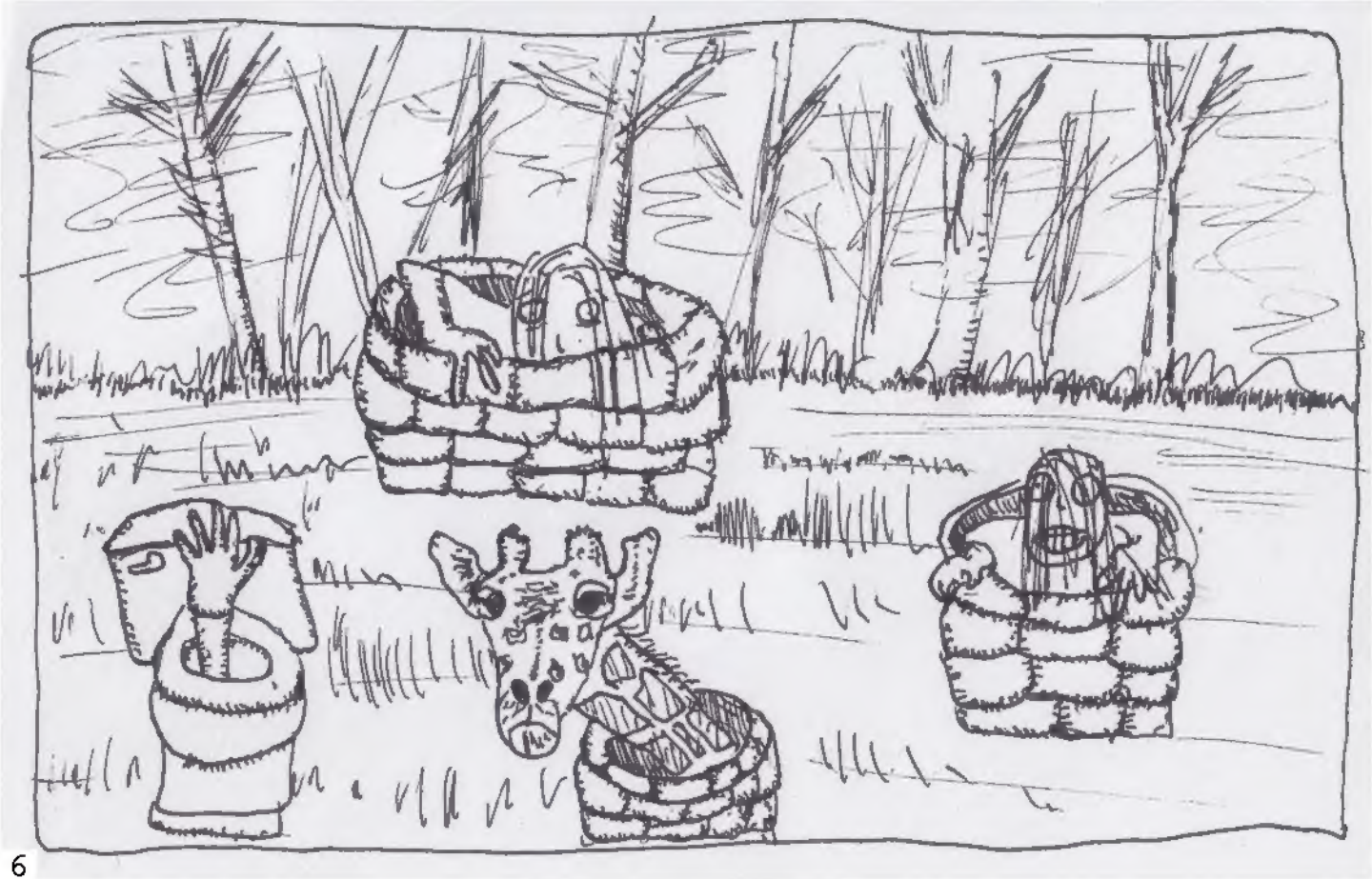

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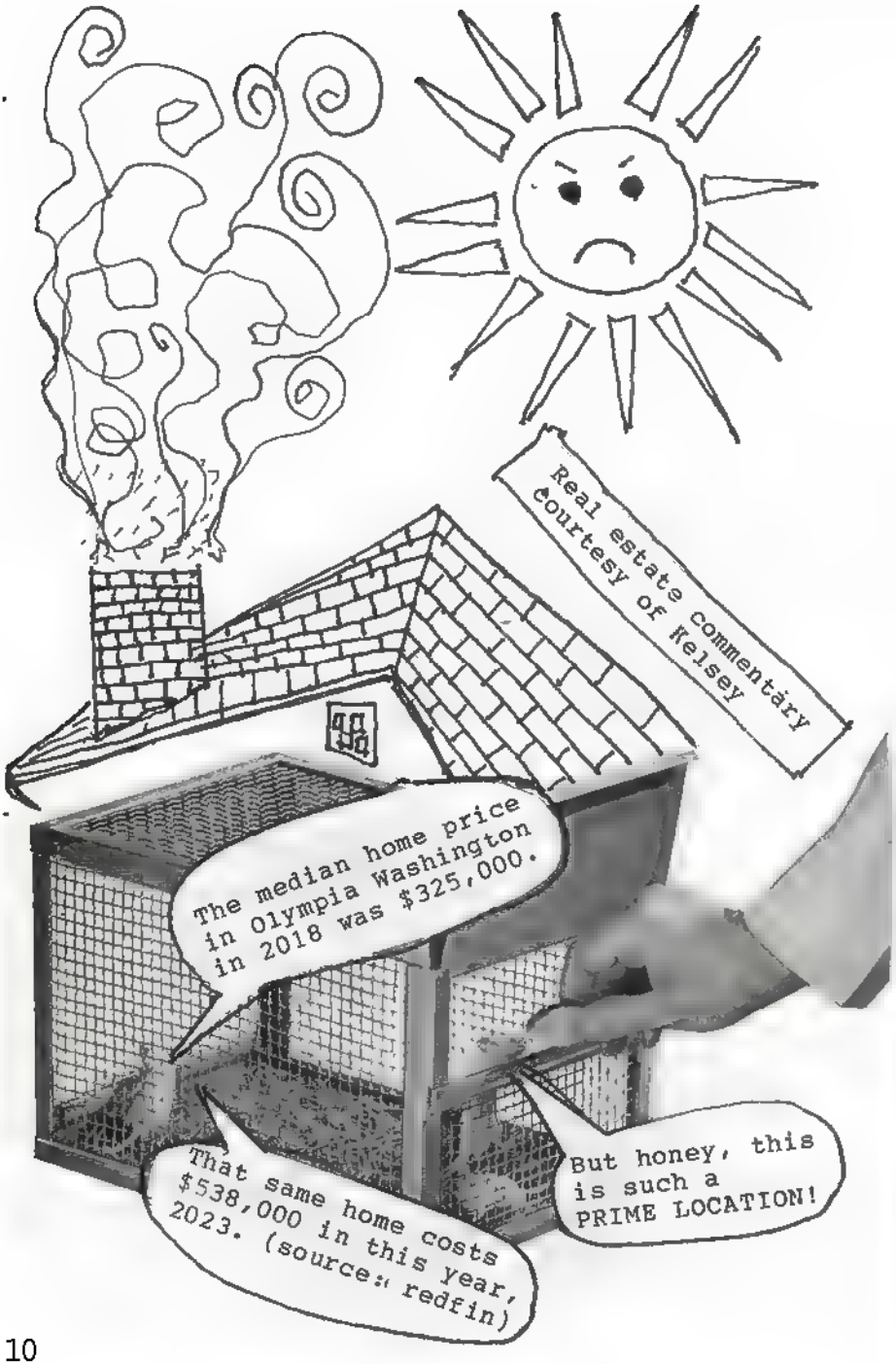
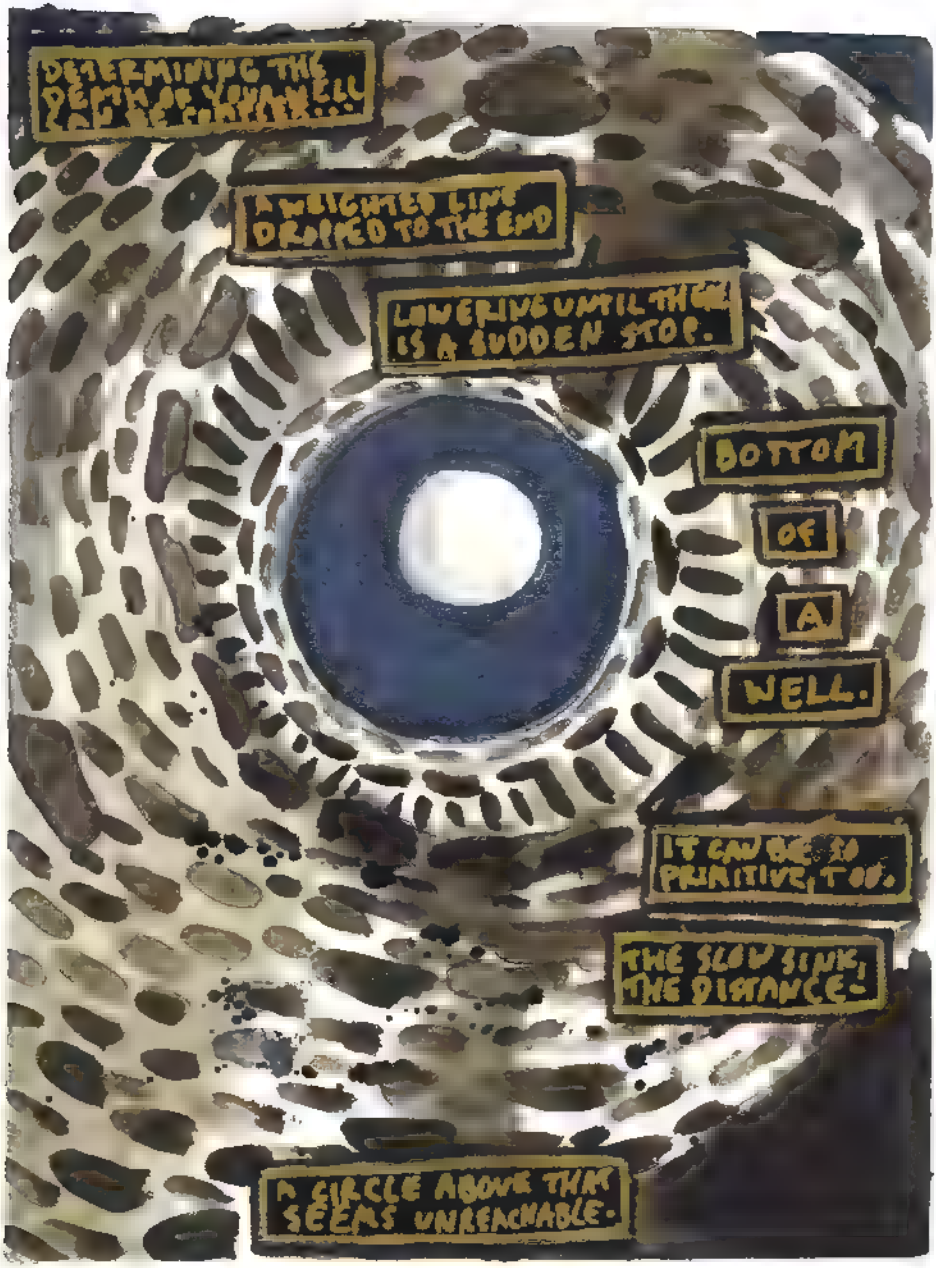
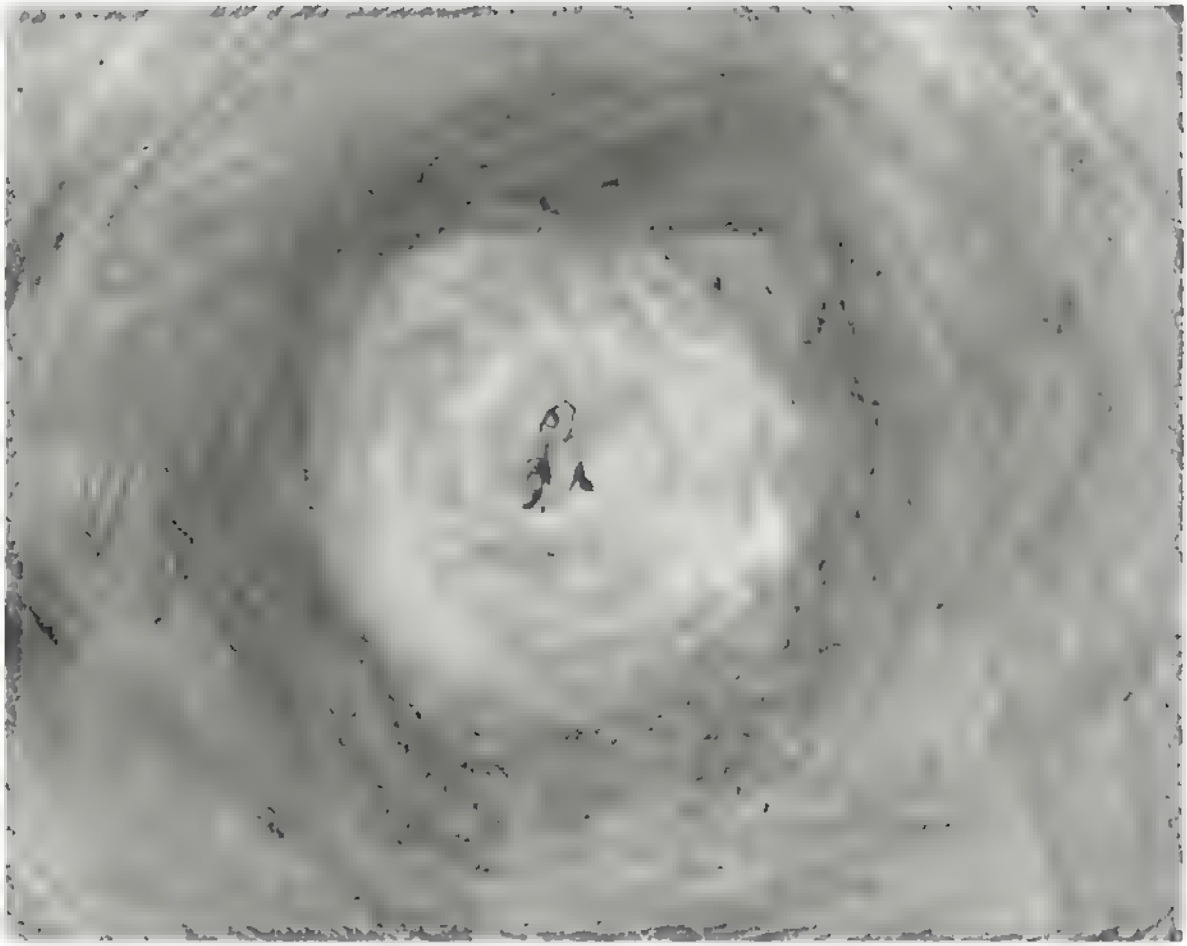
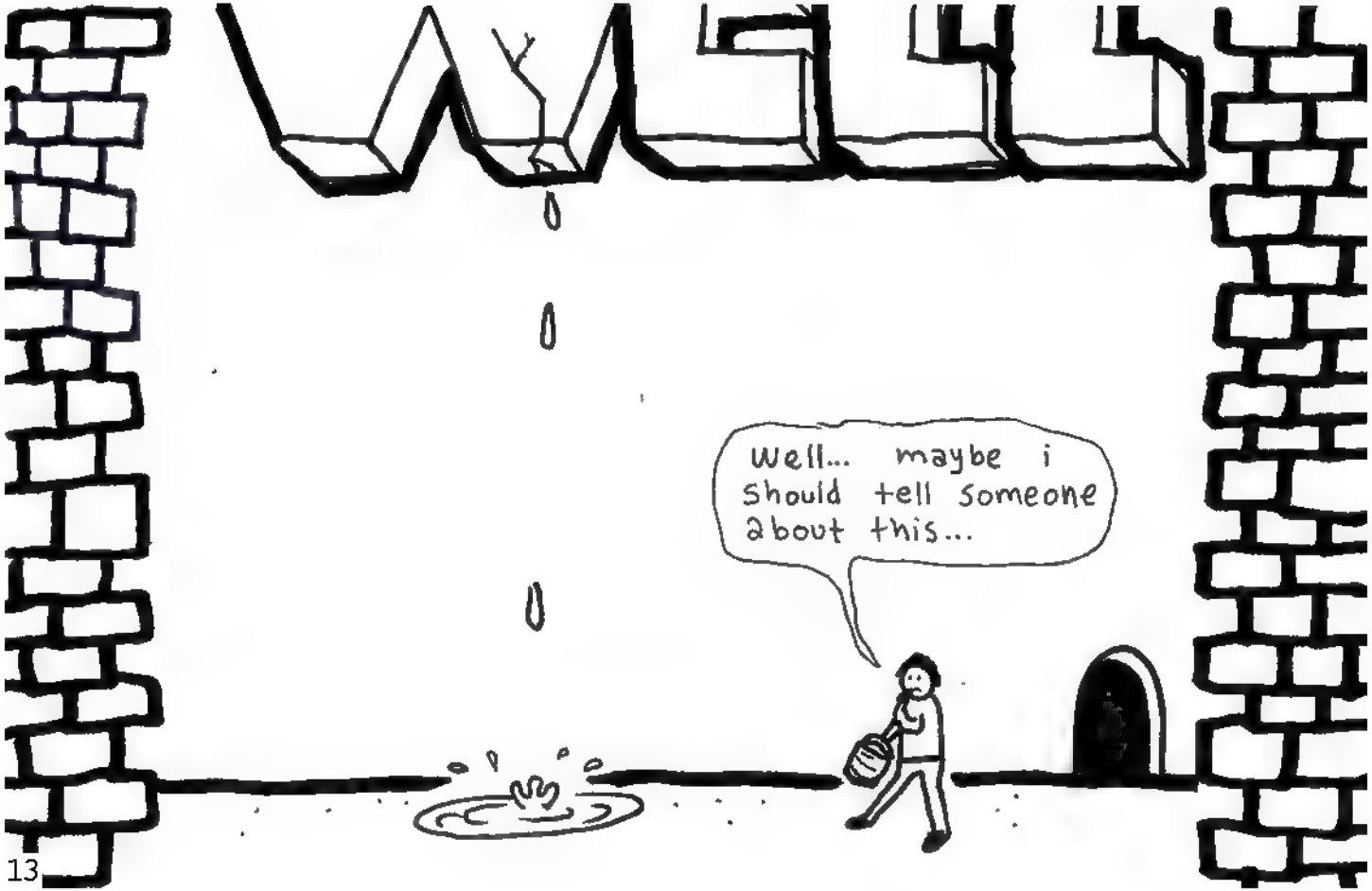
Let's go girlz!
CMEL'23

WE'RE ALRIGHT DOWN HERE!!
XXX


Real estate commentary courtesy of Kelsey
The median home price in Olympia Washington in 2018 was $325,000.
That same home costs $538,000 in this year, 2023. (source: redfin)
But honey, this is such a PRIME LOCATION!


DETERMINING THE DEPTH OF YOUR WELL
A WEIGHTED LINE DROPPED TO THE END
LOWERING UNTIL THERE IS A SUDDEN STOP.
BOTTOM
OF
A
WELL.
IT CAN BE SO PRIMITIVE, TOO.
THE SLOW SINK, THE DISTANCE-
A CIRCLE ABOVE THAT SEEMS UNREACHABLE.

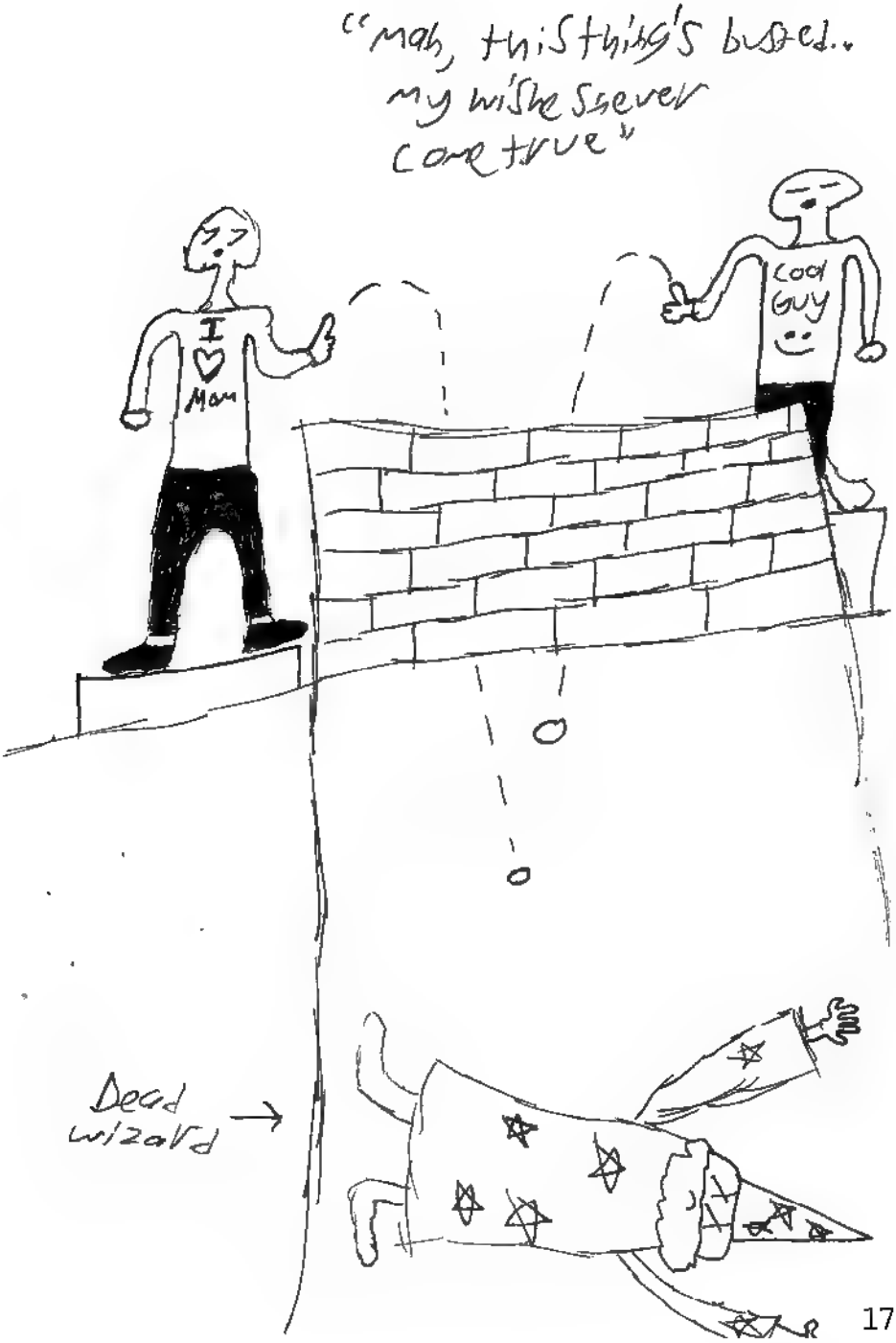


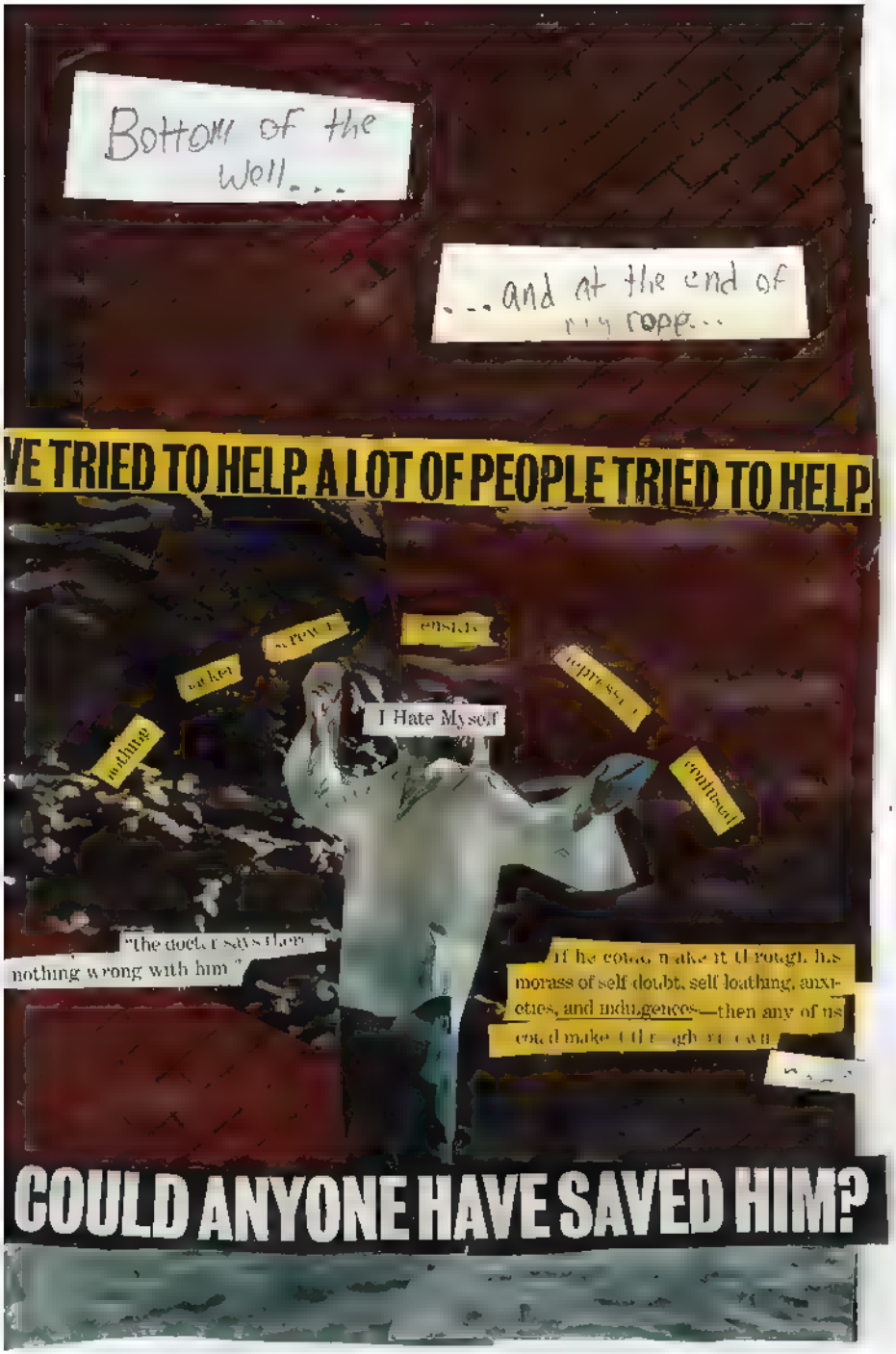

Well... maybe i should tell someone about this...

Laura
Downing

can you FIND YOUR WAY

TO THE BOTTOM of the well?


"Man, this thing's busted.. my wishes never come true"
I ♥ Man
Cool Guy
Dead wizard


Bottom of the well...
...and at the end of my rope...
VE TRIED TO HELP. A LOT OF PEOPLE TRIED TO HELP.
I Hate Myself
nothing
"The doctor says there nothing wrong with him."
If he could make it through his morass of self-doubt, self-loathing, anxieties, and indulgences—then any of us could make it through our own.
COULD ANYONE HAVE SAVED HIM?

God won't save YOU
He doesn't care
Connor Berner

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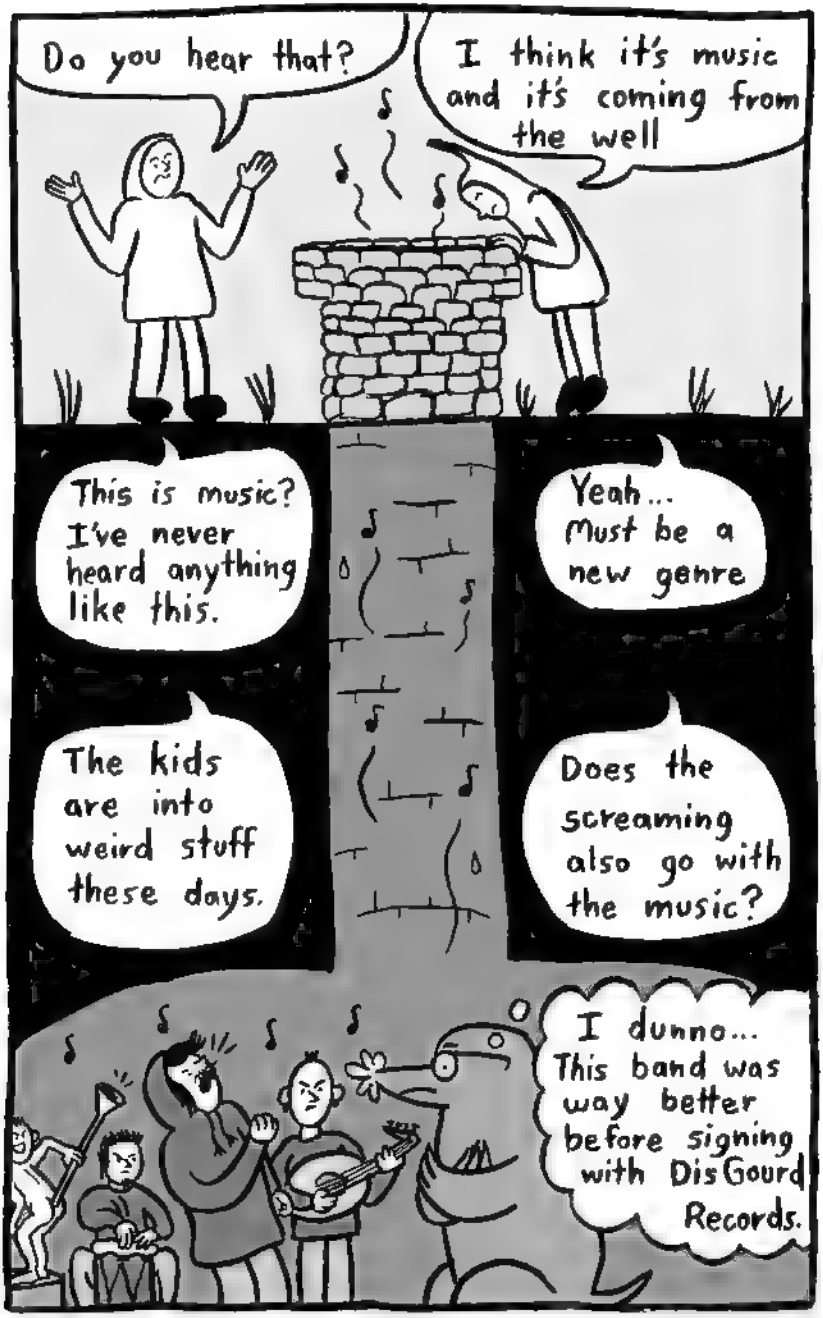
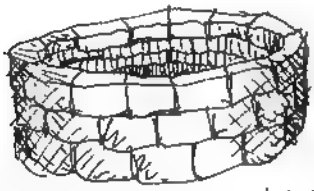
Some Days the Dragon Wins



"BOTTOM of The WELL..."
what a tuff topic...

Autobiographic'l Ramblings of K. Rollins '23



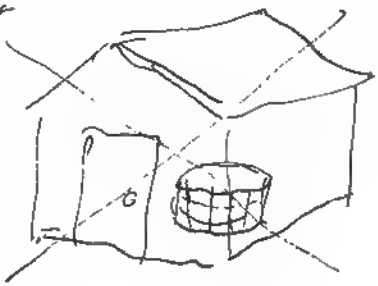
WELLS are pretty interesting - for me, they have always seemed vaguely threatening

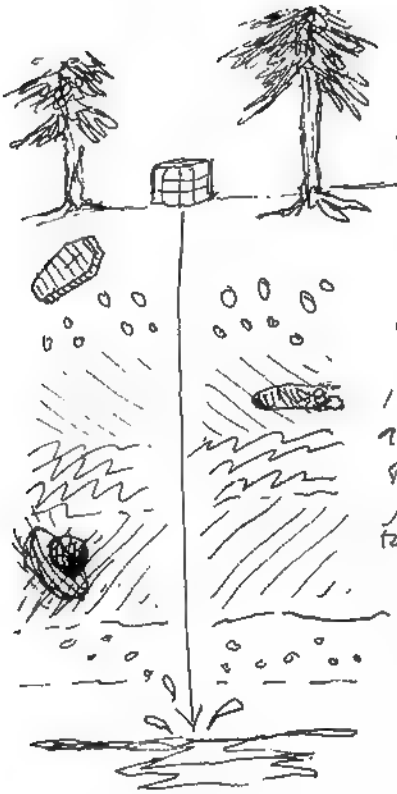
Like... when my grandparents still lived on 5 acres in the woods (when Spanaway, wa still had woods) They had a few outbuildings...

A carport, a garage, a workshop all filled with tools, supplies, hardware...

But looming in the back under the permanent darkness of a thick grove of old firs, the slightly dilapidated, haunted looking WELL house.

Not quite what you'd expect-
To fill you in a bit, in Washington you typically have to... →





... in washington you usually have to dig about 100-120' before you hit the water table. which is quite deep for a well. Its weird, huh? all this rain you'd think you could just put your face to the road and SUCK... *

The "well house" had no traditional round brick thing. Just a hole in the corner of this dark, damp cobweb room

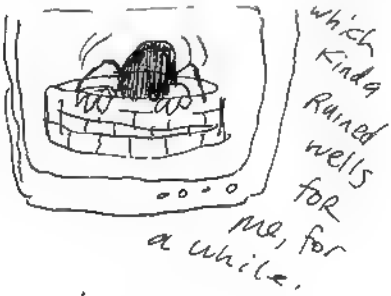
A hole that was about 1' across and 120 feet deep.

* w/apologies to S.J. Bernstein for stealing his turn of phrase

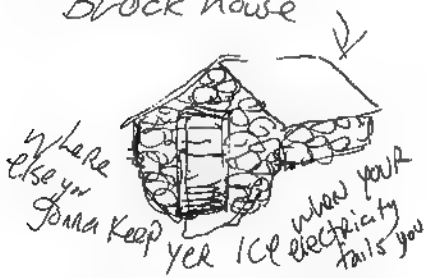
I Remember when my grandparents sold the place they had to get rid of a lot of their old junk they'd accumulated over the past 40 years. Me and my brother helped but we were too young to do most things, so my grandpa sent us to the wellhouse with all the leftover mason jars my Grandma used for canning fruit.

He INSTRUCTED us to smash all the glass and sweep it into the hole. I have no idea why, but then they used to burn their trash.

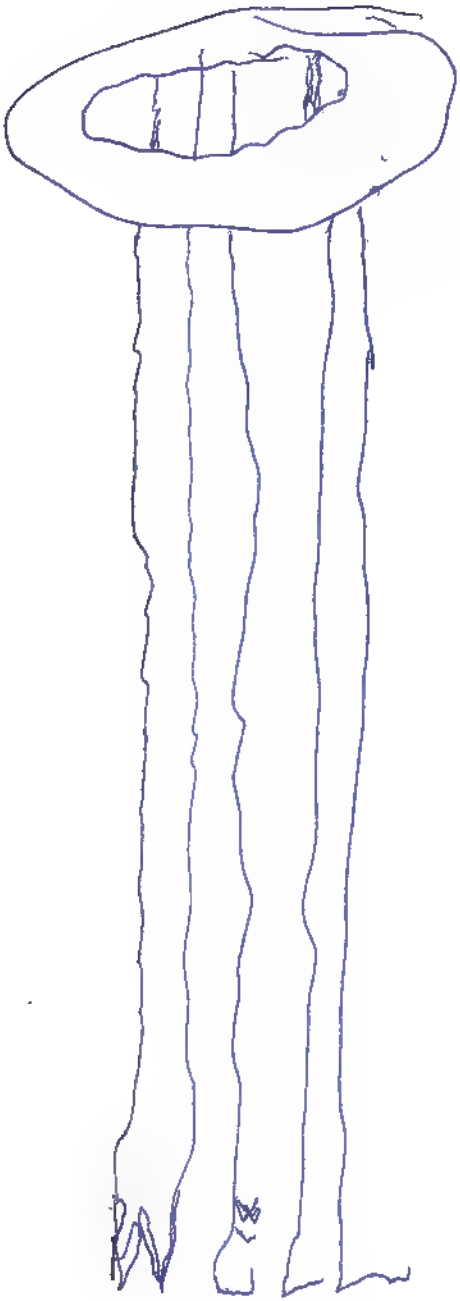
The Next year, I watched "The Ring" for the first time



Honestly, I'm much more a fan of the Brock house



EPILOGUE: The house my grandparents lived in from 1969-2000 was razed and the trees all logged off, and the property became the site of Spokaway Water Co., ironically



We actually have a lot of fun down here.

Thank you for reading
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The Night Drawer is a collaborative art zine, which means anyone can submit a page. If you would like to get involved come to Le Voyeur at 7pm on Sundays or send an email to TheNightDrawer@ydhwm.com

You can find back issues of The Night Drawer at the Olympia Timberland Library in the Zine Library section. Also there is an Instagram.
@thenightdrawerofficial

check out these other free
reoccuring events in the community

second tuesdays
of every month at 7pm
spring/summer at vic's pizza wildwood
fall/winter at bar francis

The Night Drawer is a drawing night and collaborative art zine made every week on Sundays at Le Voyeur in Olympia, WA. At 7pm a new prompt is chosen from the drawer and eveyone is invited to make a page inspired by that prompt. No one knows what the prompt will be beforehand, but anyone can add new prompts into the drawer at any time. All the pages are collected and made into this zine. The Night Drawer is open to the public and welcomes artists of all styles and skill levels.

This week's artists are:

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Chyann !!

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TK

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